

# CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF NORTH GRENVILLE

## BY-LAW NO. 15-24

*A By-Law to amend By-Law No. 47-16, being a By-Law to Regulate and Prohibit Signs  
Within the Municipality of North Grenville*

**WHEREAS** subsection 11(2) of the Municipal Act, 2001, S.O. 2001, c. 25, as amended (the “Act”), authorizes a municipality to pass a by-law respecting the health, safety and well-being of persons;

**AND WHEREAS** subsection 11(3) of the Act, authorizes a municipality to pass a by-law respecting structures, including fences and signs;

**AND WHEREAS** the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of North Grenville deems it expedient to amend By-Law 47-16;

**NOW THEREFORE** the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of North Grenville hereby enacts as follows:

1. By-Law 47-16, as amended, is hereby further amended by adding the following after section 13:

### **Temporary Exemption Permit for Businesses Affected by Construction**

13.1 Business owners directly affected by municipal or regional construction projects may apply for a **Temporary Exemption Permit** to seek relief from specific limitations outlined in Section 13 of this by-law.

- 1) To apply for the Temporary Exemption Permit, the business owner must submit a completed application form to By-Law Services, which shall include the following:
  - a) The provision(s) under Section 13 from which an exemption is sought;
  - b) A detailed rationale explaining how the construction project impacts business operations.
  - c) A sketch or diagram illustrating the proposed sign(s) location(s); and
  - d) The requested duration of the exemption.
- 2) By-Law Services shall review the application and may approve, deny, or modify the request based on factors including, but not limited to:
  - a) Public safety considerations;
  - b) Impact on traffic and pedestrian flow;
  - c) Compliance with other municipal or county By-Laws and regulations; and
  - d) The necessity and reasonableness of the request in relation to the construction project.
- 3) The permit, if granted, shall specify the terms and conditions of the exemption, including any additional requirements deemed necessary to minimize disruptions to public spaces.
- 4) A Municipal Law Enforcement Officer may, at any time, revoke the Temporary Exemption Permit if the sign is deemed to create a hazard, obstruct visibility, or violate any conditions of the permit. Upon revocation, the business owner shall be responsible for the immediate removal of the sign(s) at their own expense. If the sign(s) are not removed within the specified timeframe, the Municipality may remove the sign(s), and all associated costs shall be recovered from the business owner.
- 5) Any business granted a Temporary Exemption Permit must remove or modify the signage to comply with Section 13 upon the expiration of the permit, unless an extension is approved by By-Law Services.

- 6) Any business seeking an extension to their Temporary Exemption Permit must re-apply by submitting a new application form to By-Law Services as outlined in subsection 13.1(1).
- 7) Failure to comply with the conditions of the exemption permit may result in enforcement measures in accordance with this By-Law.

2. By-Law 47-16, as amended, is hereby further amended by adding the following definition to section 1:

“Temporary Exemption Permit” means a permit issued by a Municipal Law Enforcement Officer that grants a business owner temporary relief from specific provisions of Section 13 of this by-law due to the impacts of a municipal or regional construction project.

3. The Clerk of the Municipality of North Grenville is hereby authorized to make any minor modifications or corrections of an administrative, numerical, grammatical, semantic or descriptive nature or kind to this by-law and schedules as may be deemed necessary after passage of this By-Law, where such modifications or corrections do not alter the intent of the By-Law.
4. This By-Law shall come into force and effect on the day of its passing.

PASSED AND ENACTED  
THIS 12<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF FEBRUARY 2025.

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NANCY PECKFORD  
Mayor

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Chloe Preston  
Clerk